

# House Resolution 118 - Introduced

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 118

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1 A Resolution recognizing and honoring the work of the  
2 Alzheimer's Association.

3 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease, a progressive  
4 neurodegenerative brain disorder, tragically robs  
5 individuals of their memories and leads to progressive  
6 mental and physical impairments; and

7 WHEREAS, an estimated 69,000 Iowans have Alzheimer's  
8 disease, and as many as 4 percent of those are  
9 individuals under age 65 who have younger-onset  
10 Alzheimer's disease; and

11 WHEREAS, Alzheimer's disease is the fifth leading  
12 cause of death in Iowa; and

13 WHEREAS, this eventually fatal disease is a serious  
14 and growing threat to the health of Iowa; and

15 WHEREAS, the human cost of Alzheimer's disease in  
16 Iowa is staggering — more than 131,000 caregivers  
17 provided over 150,000 hours of unpaid care in 2010; and

18 WHEREAS, the annual cost to our country in total  
19 payments for health care, long-term care, and hospice  
20 for people with Alzheimer's disease was \$183 billion in  
21 2010; NOW THEREFORE,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,  
23 That the House of Representatives, in recognition of  
24 the individuals, families, friends, and caregivers  
25 dealing with Alzheimer's disease and the researchers  
26 who are seeking a cause or cure, recognizes and honors  
27 the efforts of the Alzheimer's Association to educate  
28 Iowans, raise funds, and promote awareness to fight

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1 Alzheimer's disease and related disorders, thereby  
2 improving the quality of life for those living with  
3 Alzheimer's disease and their caregivers.